# 6/24/2020 Quarterly Provider Call Notes

# **Program Updates - Julie Foster Hagan**

# **Stakeholder Engagement Meetings:**

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities will be holding several stakeholder meetings to address the stages of phasing over the next couple of weeks resulting from the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. We at OCDD recognize the important role of our stakeholders and we value the insights shared through our engagement.

#### APPENDIX K EXCEPTIONS:

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities will be meeting with Local Governing Entities, Support Coordinators, and Home & Community Based Waiver Providers in smaller groups to discuss the Appendix K Exceptions.

Appendix K is a standalone appendix that may be utilized by states during emergency situations to request amendments to approved 1915(c) waivers. It includes actions that states can take under the existing Section 1915(c) home and community-based waiver authority in order to respond to an emergency. Other activities may require the use of various other authorities such as the Section 1115 demonstrations or the Section 1135 authorities. This appendix may be completed retroactively as needed by the state.

To access the Appendix K for the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities Home and Community Based Waiver Services; click on the following link:

<u>Appendix K - LA 0401, 0472, 0361, 0453 Combined</u> (PDF, 119.24 KB)

#### **COVID-19 Positive Test Results:**

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities would like to remind all Home & Community Based Waiver Providers to notify the Support Coordinator/Support Coordinator

Agency when someone tests positive for COVID-19. This is viable information and it is also needed to be tracked in LaSRS.

# **Appendix K Exception FACT Sheets:**

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities is in the process of developing Fact Sheets specifically to address the changes to OCDD Waivers as they relate to Appendix K Exceptions.

# **OCDD Providers FOC Request Form:**

Please remember to update your agency information as your agency demographics change. This information includes the address, phone number, fax number, toll free number, and your email address.

You can access the form by clicking on the following link: www.ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/OCDD/Providers/FOCRequestForm050719.pdf

The completed forms can be faxed to 225-342-8823 attention Anita Lewis or emailed to Anita.Lewis@La.Gov

### **LAST Memorandum:**

The Louisiana Service Tracking (LAST) memorandum will be coming soon. A new deadline has been established.

# **Emergency Preparedness:**

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities would like to remind all Support Coordinators and Home & Community Based Providers about emergency preparedness planning and updating plans.

Please remember to send any questions to <a href="https://occupación.com/OCDD-HCBS@la.gov">OCDD-HCBS@la.gov</a>